

# COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION, INNOVATION AND REFORM

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**HB 2272 – Chapter 116 [E] – \*clinical trial; public information requests**

Expands the list of items that are not subject to public records laws to include information or intellectual property that is composed of unpublished research data, manuscripts, preliminary analyses, drafts of scientific papers, plans for future research, and prepublication peer reviews. Adds that information not available to the general public in addition to intellectual property is included in the exemptions related to public records. Specifies that this statute does not affect the issues to be decided between a university and a contracting party including publication of data and discoveries. Clarifies when a contract is confidential information.

**HB 2333 – Chapter 253 – \*bonds; community colleges**

Removes the cap on the amount of revenue bonds community colleges can use for classroom construction and limits total bonded indebtedness to 8% of current expenditures, less any expenditure for retirement of general obligation bonds.

**HB 2347 – Chapter 221 – public transportation authorities; board membership**

Adds one member from a community college district and one member from an Indian Nation to the board of directors of an intergovernmental public transportation authority if the community college district or Indian Nation is a member of the authority.

**HB 2349 – Chapter 159 [P 105] – medical marijuana; cardholder; campuses; prohibition**

Prohibits any person, including a medical marijuana cardholder, from using or possessing marijuana on a school campus or in a child care facility.

**HB 2397 – Chapter 119 – ABOR; continuation**

Continues ABOR for 10 years until July 1, 2022.

**HB 2602 – Chapter 80 – veteran supportive campuses**

Requires, rather than allows, DVS to maintain a list of certified Arizona veteran supportive campuses on its website and make a reasonable effort to notify postsecondary institutions and other appropriate entities of the opportunity to be certified as an Arizona veteran supportive campus. Requires each Arizona veteran supportive campus to report to DVS on the number of veterans graduating from its campus.

**HB 2641 – Chapter 103 – community colleges; administrative requirements; reductions**

Makes the following changes to administrative procedures for community colleges:

- Deletes the provision prohibiting a community college district governing board from authorizing the expenditure of funds from any source for capital outlay costs if the voters disapprove the issuance of bonds for any purpose.
- Directs community college districts to submit information about planned, bond-funded projects to JCCR before issuing bonds that do not require voter approval.
- Removes the requirement for community colleges to report to the state on students under 18 who have not completed high school and are enrolled in community college programs.
- Removes the requirement for community colleges to conduct tracking studies of subsequent academic or occupational achievement of former students who took a dual enrollment course.
- Exempts community college buildings from solar design regulations.

**HB 2646 – Chapter 317 – pharmacy board; transfer of monies**

Allows the director of the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy to transfer up to \$1 million annually from the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy Fund to the Arizona Poison and Drug Information Center.

**HB 2770 – Chapter 177 – faculty; political and religious beliefs**

Prohibits a public university or community college from making employment decisions based on a faculty member's political or religious beliefs.

**SB 1196 – Chapter 143 – college savings; report; income subtraction**

Makes the Arizona Family College Savings Program permanent.